RELIEF OF CERTAIN FARMERS, ETC.

JUNE 23, 1898.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Mudd, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. Res. 136.]

The Committee on the District of Columbia, to whom was referred the joint resolution (H. Res. 136) for the relief of farmers, gardeners, and truckmen selling produce of their own raising on the south side of B street between Seventh and Thirteenth streets, in the city of Washington, D. C., after careful consideration of the subject, report the bill back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

This bill was prepared in the office of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia and introduced at their request. The Commissioners urge the early passage of this legislation, and a copy of their communication in reference to the same is made a part of this report.

> OFFICE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, Washington, January 26, 1898.

DEAR SIR: The Commissioners have the honor to recommend the introduction and favorable action upon the inclosed draft of a joint resolution for the relief of farmers, gardeners, and truckmen selling produce of their own raising on the south side of B street, between Seventh and Thirteenth streets, in the city of Washington, D. C.

Last spring, when an effort was made to regulate the care and control of the farmers engaged in business on the south side of B street, it was found that the Commissioners had no jurisdiction over them, and this bill is intended to give the Commissioners the same control over the south side of B street from Seventh to Thirteenth that the law gives them over the north side of B street between Tenth and Twelfth streets. The receipts from the charges provided for in the bill will be sufficent to cover all expenses for watchmen, etc.

JOHN W. Ross, Very respectfully, President Board of Commisssioners, District of Columbia.

Hon. J. W. BABCOCK, Chairman Committee on the District of Columbia.